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§9–1713.

(a) (1) In this section, “recycling facility” means a facility that provides recycling services.

(2) “Recycling facility” does not include:

(i) A composting facility;

(ii) A facility that requires a natural wood waste recycling facility permit in accordance with this subtitle;

(iii) A facility that requires a sewage sludge utilization permit in accordance with Subtitle 2 of this title; or

(iv) A facility that serves as a drop-off and collection point for residential recyclable materials.

(b) The Department shall adopt regulations to:

(1) Establish conditions under which a recycling facility does not require a refuse disposal permit under Subtitle 2 of this title; and

(2) Exempt certain materials that are managed at a recycling facility from being designated as solid waste.

(c) The regulations adopted under subsection (b) of this section may include:

(1) Design, construction, and operational conditions for recycling facilities to protect public health and the environment and minimize nuisances;

(2) A tiered system of permits or approvals for recycling facilities based on the material managed, the methods of management and storage, and other factors determined by the Department to be appropriate; and

(3) Exceptions to any requirement to obtain a recycling facility permit or approval.

(d) Sections 9–334 through 9–342 of this title and § 10–104 of this article apply to violations of:

- (1) This section;
- (2) Any regulation adopted under this section; or
- (3) Any order or permit issued under this section.

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